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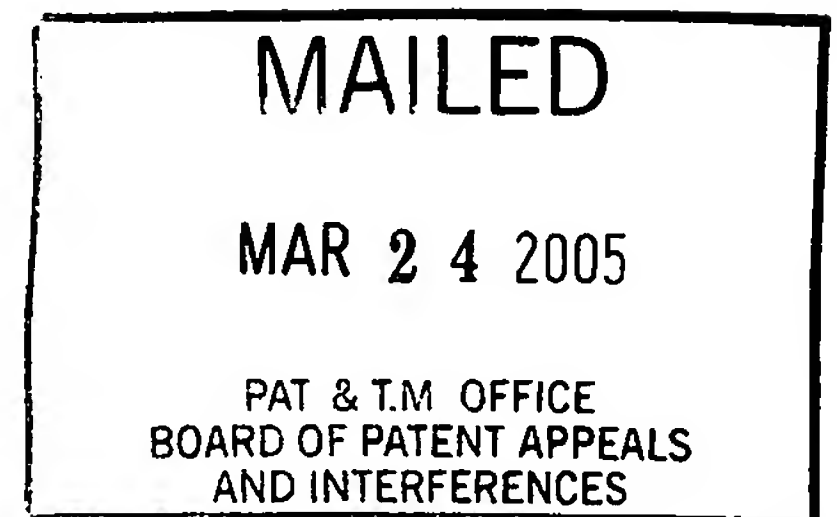
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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
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Ex parte MICHAEL E. WEBBER

Appeal No. 2005-0735
Application 10/014,977



ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

Before HARKCOM, Acting Chief Administrative Patent Judge, WILLIAM F. SMITH, Administrative Patent Judge, and NASE, Administrative Patent Judge.

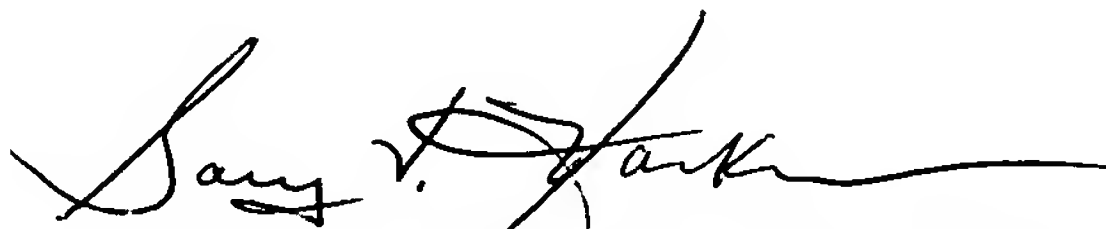
Per curiam.

On February 23, 2005, counsel for the appellant filed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 (Paper No. 32). Pursuant to the notice entitled "Request for Continued Examination Practice and Changes to Provisional Application Practice," 65 Fed. Reg. 50092, 50095 (Aug. 16, 2000), and the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.114(d), a request for continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114 filed after appeal has been taken, but prior to a decision on the appeal, "will be treated as a request to withdraw the appeal and to reopen prosecution of the application before the examiner."

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Accordingly, the appeal in this application is dismissed.

The application is being returned to the examiner for further action as may be appropriate.



GARY V. HARKCOM, Acting Chief
Administrative Patent Judge



WILLIAM F. SMITH
Administrative Patent Judge



JEFFREY V. NASE
Administrative Patent Judge

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